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WHEREAS, personal and household savings are fundamental to Washington's stability and vitality; and

WHEREAS, adequate emergency savings, retirement funds, and safe debt-income ratios are critical components of personal financial security; and

WHEREAS, America Saves is a national social marketing campaign to persuade, encourage, and motivate citizens to take financial action in building wealth through saving money and reducing debt; and

WHEREAS, Washington is a partner in the America Saves campaign and is committed to helping its residents take immediate financial action to *Build Wealth*, *Not Debt*;

NOW, *THEREFORE*, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim February 19-26, 2012, as

Washington Saves Week

in Washington State, and I urge all residents to assess and improve their personal finances by taking positive wealth-building action.

Signed this 25th day of January, 2012

Governor Christine O. Gregoire

